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Applicant : D. Ammon Jr.
Application No. : 09/876,412
Filed : June 7, 2001
Title : Quantitative MALDI-Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry of Peptides and Proteins
Art Unit : 1743
Examiner : Yelena G. Gakh
Docket No. : P02872
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Suzanne V. SaracenPETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Sir:

It is requested that the period for response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2003 be extended to allow for response within three month(s) after the time originally set. The time originally set was October 8, 2003. The extended period will expire January 8, 2004.

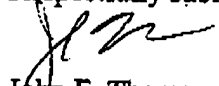
A response to the Office Action – a/an Amendment-- is filed herewith.

Fee Calculation

Three-Month Extension \$950.00

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Respectfully submitted,


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